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DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY FOR TRADE ADJUSTMENT ASSISTANCE FOR FARMERS

1 **PURPOSE**

Pursuant to the "Trade Act of 2002," P.L.107-210, which amended Title II of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2251 et seq.), the Secretary shall carry out the functions of Chapter 6-Adjustment Assistance for Farmers. This chapter requires the Secretary to provide funds to eligible agricultural producers if it is determined that the national average price in the most recent marketing year for an agricultural commodity is less than 80 percent of the national average price for such commodity in the five preceding marketing years and that increases in imports contributed importantly to the decline in the price.

2 **DELEGATION**

The Under Secretary for Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services is hereby delegated the authority vested in the Secretary by the "Trade Act of 2002."

This authority is further delegated through the Under Secretary for Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services to the Administrator of the Foreign Agricultural Service.

3 **TERMINATION**

This memorandum shall remain in effect for 1 year or until such earlier time as the Department's published delegations of authority have been revised to incorporate the provisions of this memorandum.

Ann M. Veneman Secretary